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- 1. SWINDELL-DRESSLER MOSCOW REPRESENTATIVE (JOHN SCHMIDT)
 PROVIDED FOLLOWING GENERAL COMMENTS ABOUT CONTINUING PROBLEMS
 AT KAMA TRUCK PLANT (KAMAZ) IN NABEREZHNYYE CHELNY:
- A. THE IRON FOUNDRY IS NOT PLUMB;
- B. FOUNDATION UNDER THE IRON FOUNDRY CONTINUES TO SETTLE AS THE FROZEN GROUND THAWS;
- C. CHANGES IN THE SWINDELL-DRESSLER BLUEPRINTS BY SOVIET ARCHITECTS ARE LEADING TO DIFFICULTIES (FOR WHICH SWINDELL REFUSES TO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY); AND
- D. FAILURE TO MEET SAFETY STANDARDS SET BY SWINDELL (SUCH AS A SUBSTANTIAL SHORTFALL IN WATER PRESSURE IN FIRE-FIGHTING EQUIPMENT) MAY CAUSE ADDITIONAL PROBLEMS BETWEEN SOVIETS AND PRIME-CONTRACTOR.
- 2. SCHMIDT, WHO HAS BEEN OUT TO KAMAZ THREE TIMES, IN PAST 6 MONTHS BELIEVES THAT SOVIETS ARE RUNNING INTO MANY PROBLEMS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WHICH THEY ARE TRYING TO SOLVE I PIECE-MEAL, TEMPORIZING

FASHION. HE ALSO BELIEVES THERE ARE BOUND TO BE MAJOR DISPUTES
BETWEEN SWINDELL AND SOVIETS ON RESPONSIBILITY FOR THESE
PROBLEMS.
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